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1. This application is in condition for allowance except for the presence of claims containing limitations drawn to chewing gums having other than undulating designs, the inventions non-elected with traverse in Paper No. 6. Applicant is given ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this letter, whichever is longer, to cancel the noted claims or take other appropriate action (37 CFR 1.144). Failure to take action during this period will be treated as authorization to cancel the noted claims by Examiner's Amendment and pass the case to issue. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) will not be permitted since this application will be passed to issue.

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- 3. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0651.

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